

LVMPD FACT SHEET ABOUT RESPONSE TO TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

1. **How has LVMPD changed its accident response?** Officers will no longer investigate or write reports on non-injury accidents. It is the responsibility of the drivers in the collision to exchange identification and insurance information. Metro will still respond to other types of accidents.
2. **What types of accidents will LVMPD respond to?**
 - Accidents with injuries or fatalities;
 - A driver under the influence of alcohol, narcotics or other substances;
 - A hit and run;
 - A vehicle disabled on the roadway as a result of an accident; and
 - An uncooperative driver (i.e. will not exchange information) or any other disturbance meriting a police response.
3. **What do I do if I'm involved in an accident?**

If someone is injured, call 911. If there are no injuries and the damage is over \$750, please follow these steps:

 - a. Pull over out of traffic when it is safe to do so;
 - b. Exchange information with the other driver;
 - c. Obtain all personal information from the other driver(s) involved, including name, address, phone number, driver's license number and state of issuance;
 - d. Obtain insurance information from the other driver(s) including the name of the insurance company, policy number and expiration date of the policy;
 - e. Obtain the year, make, model and license plate number, including state of issuance of all vehicle(s) involved. Also obtain the name and address of the registered owner and the (VIN) Vehicle Identification Number;
 - f. Obtain the name(s) and phone number(s) of passengers in the vehicle, along with the name(s) and phone number(s) of any witnesses to the crash;
 - g. Document everything on an SR-1 Form, found on www.dmvnv.com.
 - h. For a direct link to the SR-1 Form, [CLICK HERE](#);
 - i. If you have a Smartphone, see if your insurance company has an app that you can use to help you gather accident information;
 - j. Take pictures if at all possible for visual documentation of the damage; and
 - k. Contact your insurance company as soon as possible.
4. **What happens if one of the parties involved in the accident does not have insurance?** Make sure you document that the other driver does not have insurance on the SR-1 form. If you have an uncooperative driver who will not exchange information, call the police.
5. **Does this policy apply everywhere in Clark County?** No. It only applies to areas patrolled by LVMPD and does NOT include state patrolled highways and interstates or areas policed by other agencies in Southern Nevada.
6. **What is the purpose of LVMPD changing its response?** Traffic fatalities in the valley have been on the rise for the past 3 years. We need those officers available to concentrate on enforcement efforts, which is a proven tactic in reducing fatalities.

7. **Should I drive my car from the scene or have it towed?** If the car is in working order, you may drive it yourself. If the car is disabled and blocking or impeding traffic, call police.
8. **Doesn't my insurance company need a police report to prove I was in an accident?** No. A police report is not necessary to file a claim with your insurance company.